

Grace Episcopal Church

Daily Bible Reading – Read the Bible in One Year

Reflection Class: **Sunday, September 7, 2014;** 9:10 am – 9:40 am, Grace Parish Hall

Thoughts, Reflections, Insights, Questions of readings to date: Day 243 – Day 249

**Prayer** – O God, we seek you. We find you in the world around us; in the eyes of people we see; in the prayer we say with you; in the reading of your words; and in the people of your Body. Guide us in our thoughts, reflections, searching, and living today in your Kingdom. Amen dwe

### **Readings :**

8/31/2014 | Day 243 | Matthew 1:1 – 2:23

9/1/2014 | Day 244 | Matthew 3:1 – 4:25

9/2/2014 | Day 245 | Matthew 5:1 – 48

9/3/2014 | Day 246 | Matthew 6:1 – 34

9/4/2014 | Day 247 | Matthew 7:1 – 8:34

9/5/2014 | Day 248 | Matthew 9:1 – 10:42

9/6/2014 | Day 249 | Matthew 11:1 – 12:50

### **Stream or Thoughts on the text:**

**Day 243:** Jesus is born with a Jewish genealogy starting with Abraham running to David running to the Exile then to Joseph and Mary. Birth narrative with angel showing up to change Joseph's mind about divorcing Mary. Wise guys look and see the birth Herod slaughters the innocents Angel warns Joseph to take off to Egypt; back to live in Nazareth.

**Day 244:** The preaching of John the Baptist; the baptism of one called Jesus; his temptation in the wilderness; the beginning of his Galilean Ministry.

**Day 245:** Sermon on the Mount: Beatitudes, Salt & Light, Law & Prophets, Concerning: Anger, Adultery, Divorce, Oaths, Retaliation; Love for Enemies

**Day 246:** SOM: Concerning: Almsgiving, prayer, fasting, treasures; Sound eye, serving two masters, do not worry.

**Day 247:** SOM, finished; Do not judge; do not profane the holy; ask, search, knock; golden rule; narrow gate; tree and fruit; do not be deceived; hearers and doers. The he healed a leper, a centurion's servant, many at Mary's house; cautions about would be followers; stills the storm; heals the Gadarene demoniacs.

**Day 248:** Jesus opens his ministry in Capernaum. Heals; Jesus then gives the twelve disciples to power to heal and forgive. Sends disciples off to do ministry. People even family will not agree about the ministry of Jesus.

**Day 249:** Are you the one? Jesus continues: John is great; cities without faith; come to me who are weary ...; Sabbath law and living; Is he the Messiah predicted in Isaiah?; compared to the devil but not; demands for signs ... where is your faith?; Jesus asks who is my family? You are!

### **Prayer**

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### **Thoughts from others:**

Text: The NRSV Daily Bible, HarperCollins Publishers, © 2012, ISBN 9780062008466 or Bible of your choice.  
Notebook, Journal, Blog, or Notes in Bible. Check out <http://gracefullbible.com>

Mark Allan Powell, "Introducing the New Testament: A Historical, Literary, and Theological Survey", Baker Academic, Grand Rapids, Pure Michigan, © 2009, Mark Allen Powell, ISBN 978-0-8010-2868-7. One place to buy or rent  
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